

Marshfield Conservation Commission
134th Meeting
Meeting of 4 Sept 2019

Members Present: Taber Allison, Allen Banbury, Anne Miller, Bob Popp, Annie Reed, and Rachel Rudi

Visitors: Charlie Wanzer, Twinfield School

Minutes: Approved unanimously with minor correction ; one abstention

Treasurer's Report: None provided

Twinfield Bioblitz

- All day next **Thursday, the 12th** beginning with bird walk; classes normally start at 8:30
- Will involve most of K thru 12 faculty & students
- Will catalogue via iNaturalist including unknowns to be identified at a later date.
- Will have microscopes and field guides available
- Interest in trees and fungi among other taxa
- Enlisting volunteers to assist, among them Rose Paul will talk on biodiversity, Steve Fiske will do macroinverts, Brett Engstrom, Eric Hagen (UVM field naturalist)
- Charlie provided link to electronic document which provides a description of possible events as well as instruction for iNaturalist. See https://docs.google.com/document/d/1FA76efcshg6DwhUwn4IlmUcQvQPPX_zhEnEQbJcDXo/edit

Forest Farmers Tabled

Natural Marshfield

- Michael Saborin spoke on ticks, ca. 20 folks in attendance.
- Sept 25th Wed, discussion on radium and radon by Dept of Health
- Website for free water testing kit is AHSVDHPPPrivateWellTest Results@vermont.gov or for more information visit <http://healthvermont.gov/water>

Stranahan Town Forest Tabled

Announcements

- Vt Sierra Club and Efficiency Vt are having an electric vehicle demo **on Sat the 14th** in Montpelier.

- Allen attended the RAMP energy committee meeting. They are trying to work with Twinfield re. ventilation and insulation improvements at the school.
- AVCC annual meeting is Saturday, 28 Sept at Breadloaf campus. Members agreed to reimburse cost out of operating fund for anyone wanting to participate.

Submitted by: Bob Popp

Submitted on: 10 Sept 2019

Approved on: 2 October 2019